CATHOLIC CHAPEL OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY BULLETIN

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Jeremiah 31: 7-9, Hebrews 5: 1-6, Mark 10: 46-52

FOCUS: God will deliver and gather, console and lead his people.

Food, clothing, and shelter are basic physical needs of all people. Those who have these things readily available may not think about them often. Those who do not have them may struggle daily to have these needs met. There are literally hundreds of humanitarian and charitable agencies at work around the world providing for those in need.

Just as there are basic physical needs in life, so, too, there are basic spiritual needs. We need salvation, to belong to a community, and to be comforted in times of sorrow. We need to have guidance throughout this life to lead us to our eternal home. There are no earthly sources which can bring true and lasting satisfaction to these spiritual needs. Only God can satisfy our spiritual hungers.

Through the prophet Jeremiah, God tells his people that he will deliver and gather, console and lead them form oppression to unity. He will direct their steps to life. God will bring these blessings upon all his people, especially the suffering and the weak, like a loving father who seeks to satisfy the basic needs of his children.

As Christians, we believe that God ultimately fulfilled his promise by sending his son, Jesus, who came to deliver us from sin and death. He gathered a people together and formed them into God's people. Jesus is the divine source of consolation to the weak and the suffering, the poor and the lost; the one, true way that leads to our heavenly Father. As today's reading from Hebrews tells us, Jesus is the great mediator between God and humanity. He knows our human condition, and he knows his heavenly Father. Embracing his Father's will, Jesus dispenses God's grace upon us and satisfies our deepest longings.

Jesus knew about basic human needs. He fed those who were hungry and cured those who were sick. He brought comfort to those who were grieving; but his greatest miracles took place deep in people's souls. It was through the presence of Jesus, his teachings, and his forgiveness that their spiritual needs were net. Conversions took place—doubts were dispelled — peace came into many lives.

Our Gospel today gives us one such account. Jesus delivered Bartimaeus from physical blindness through an acknowledgment of his faith. This miracle released the blind man from his affliction and gathered him into the followers of Jesus. Through this encounter with Jesus,

Bartimaeus came to know that God had heard his cry to be cured and that the mercy of God had touched his life. We can only imagine the joy and spiritual satisfaction this miracle brought to his soul.

Just as we all possess the same basic physical needs, we possess the same spiritual needs. As Jesus reached out to satisfy the spiritual longings of the people of his time, so, too, he reaches out to us now. Jesus died to deliver us from sin and death, leaving us his body, the Church, to comfort and help us; to lead us to our heavenly home. Through the Church, God continues to fulfill his promise of caring for his people.

We can learn from the example of Bartimaeus to believe in God's goodness and to step out in faith. The faith of Bartimaeus led him to call out to Jesus despite all obstacles. When we open our lives to Jesus, we must be ready to follow wherever he leads us. To walk in faith with Jesus will always lead us to our heavenly Father.

We all need the basics of life, physical and spiritual; without them we cannot live. Through God's providence, the work of others may provide for us physically, but it is only through the work of our Savior, Jesus, that God provides for us spiritually. Come to the Lord! Believe in the Lord! He will satisfy the longings of your soul.

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OPERATION FREEDOMS LIBRARY

During the month of October, the Military Council of Catholic Women will be collecting new/used books/magazines in support of Operation Freedoms Library. Operation Freedoms Library distributes the books/magazines to the soldiers deployed in the Middle East region. Books/magazines can be delivered to 565 B Connor Loop, sent with children to religious education classes, placed in the Operation Freedoms Library Drop Box at Most Holy Trinity, or brought to the next MCCW event. Be sure to ask your neighbors to donate books they have out for the post wide yard sale! For more information, please contact Vanessa Florence at 446-7838.

SCRIPTURE FOR WEEK OF OCT 26, 2003

Mon – Romans 8: 12-17, Luke 13: 10-17 Tue – Ephesians 2: 19-22, Luke 6: 12-16

Apostles—Feast

Wed - Romans 8: 26-30, Luke 13: 22-30 Thurs - Romans 8: 31b-39, Luke 13: 31-35 Fri - Romans 9: 1-5, Luke 14: 1-6

Sat - Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14, 1 John 3: 1-3,

Matthew 5: 1-12a

All Saints—Solemnity—(Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

ANNOUNCED MASSES

25 Oct 0900 Michael Kwinn Sat 25 Oct 1715 Parishioners of MHT Sat 26 Oct 0900 Edward Harmon Sun 26 Oct 1100 Jonathan Vorndram Sun 27 Oct 1205 Edward Miklos Mon 28 Oct 1205 Tue Wed 29 Oct 1205 Rita Theresa Brennan Thurs 30 Oct 1205 Anne Lewis 31 Oct 1205 Rose Conner Fri

Attendance and Offering Last Weekend:

Attendance 860 Offering \$2,610.91 The next Designated Offering: Nov 15/16 will be for

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR NOV 1-2

1715 C. Corbett, T. Leszczynski, CDT M. Mansbach

0900 S. Weliver, F. Biskup. CDT L. Jones

1100 M. Torres, B. Tiger, T. Buning, E. Kowalski, L.Wigger, CDT P. McCarthy, CDT J. Sorrentiono

USHERS FOR NOV 1-2

The Military Archdiocese

1715 Mike Huber / Massacci

0900 Commons

1100 Wolfe / Cascino

ALTAR SERVERS NOV 1-2

1715 0900 1100

LECTORS FOR NOV 1-2

Charles Feher / Cindy Scullion Tom Strunck / Scott Peachey 0900 1100 Renee Rysiewicz / Doug Wolfe

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Pastoral Coordinator...Kate Hayden 938-8760

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RECONCILIATION, ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION:

Wednesday 1820 -1930 at MHT Chapel

CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

Our next book is "Raising Catholic Children" by Mary Ann Kuharski. We will meet Mon, Nov 3rd at 7:00pm MHT rectory for a discussion about the book and then on Thur. Nov 19th, Mrs. Kuharski will be here to meet and talk with our group.

POC: Michele Perez 446-8108 or Patty Verzola 446-7926 / free childcare will be provided for these sessions

SUNDAY SOCIALS

<u>Your parish needs you-no experience required.</u> If you enjoyed your coffee and donut after church on Sunday—Please prayerfully consider serving our faith community. We need volunteers to "Host Sunday Mass." The job is easy and the rewards are bountiful. If interested please sign-up after mass, the sign-up sheet is located at the rear of the chapel on the bulletin board, or call the Tiger's at 446-3254. Thanks and God Bless

Dates to Remember

Religious Education Highlights: Sacrament Parent Meetings and Rites:

26 Oct—Confirmation Catechetical Session I, 1900-2030, Cloister Rm, MHT Chapel

2 November - Confirmation Rite of Enrollment, 1100 Mass, Chapel

Tues Nights—RCIA, 1930 Rm 5326 Washington Hall,

POC: "Ms. Kay" Heppes @ 938-8761, yc3921@usma.edu

7 Nov— MCCW First Friday Mass & Potluck

16 Nov—Reconciliation Parent meeting, Rm 348 Thayer Hall, 0920 hrs.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

GOD'S TYM (Total Youth Ministries)

POC: Michelle Kelley @ 424-3609

October 26 - **God's TYM** - 7-9pm - Guest speaker, Brother John Blazo, from Maryknoll will speak about the church's work in missionary lands.

November 2 - **God's TYM** - 7-9pm - Cemetery Prayer Service followed by Halloween Fun in Sacred Heart gym. Please bring a flashlight.

November 16 - God's TYM - 7-9pm - Daytop speaker will speak. Parents are invited. There will be a <u>separate</u> meeting for parents. Daytop is the Catholic Agency that deals with drug abuse problems.

OUTREACH

Food for the Needy-Anyone interested in making items for the St. Patrick's soup kitchen may contact Jeanne at 446-0503. Meals can be delivered to 1004 B Bartlett Loop betweenen 4-8pm.

You can just change the menu and date each month. Information for the fall semester is: October 21-lunch/sandwiches November 18-dinner/chili Decmber 16 holiday/cookies and treats

Musings from the Pastor's Corner

For World Mission Sunday last week, the parish family of Most Holy Trinity contributed over \$2000.00 to the cause of the world's missions. We thank you for your generosity!

Speaking of generosity, we have had a number of contributors to the Most Holy Trinity Air Conditioning project. The plans are approaching the 100% stage of completion. AOG is in the midst of fundraising campaigns and efforts! More to follow!

Funny to talk about this, as it is a blustery 52 degrees outside!!!

We have the pleasure of hosting various priests at Most Holy Trinity. This past week, Fr. Jack McClain, S.J., CH (CPT), was with us while on leave. He has recently returned from a combat tour in Afghanistan. He spoke with the members of United Catholic Fellowship on Tuesday night. We thank him for his service as a priest to those in forward deployed hostile fire areas.

We thank God for the beautiful gift of Fall. In the midst of the vibrant colors which nature presents, we are reminded of the power of change. We pray for the great gift to hear God speaking to us through this wonderful season.

Marriage Encounter! Get ready to enrich your already powerful marriage! More details comings! We are most lucky to have a number of Marriage Encounter qualified couples in our parish. Family is the key!

Spend time with Jesus in the Eucharist: Wednesday, 1820-1925 @ MHT. Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction. Confessions are available!

Come join us for Mass every Saturday at 0900 at MHT. Our Lady has promised that those who observe the First Saturday devotion will make it to Heaven!

With Gratitude and prayer,

Fr. Jerry